

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2356 - SB 2324

February 23, 2022

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes the board of mayor and alderman of certain municipalities to adopt an ordinance to establish term limits for certain officials, upon approval in a referendum.

FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The proposed legislation applies only to municipalities with a mayor-aldermanic charter that have a population of 60,000 or more, of which there is one in the state: Hendersonville in Sumner County.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 6-3-110:
 - The board of mayor and aldermen of any municipality incorporated under a mayor-aldermanic charter which is located within a county that has adopted a charter form of government is authorized to establish term limits for the mayor and board of mayor and alderman of such municipality.
 - Any ordinance to establish term limits shall not become operative until approved in an election.
 - If the majority vote is for the ordinance, it shall be deemed operative on the date that the county election commission makes its official canvass of the election returns, provided that no term limits shall apply until the election of the subsequent mayor and board of mayor and alderman.
 - If the majority vote is against the ordinance, no further elections on the question of term limits shall be held until at least four years have passed from the previous election and only after a new ordinance is adopted.
- As Sumner County has not adopted a charter form of government, Hendersonville does not qualify under current law. The proposed legislation would extend this authorization to Hendersonville.
- It is assumed that any vote on an ordinance will take place at a regularly scheduled meeting and, therefore, have no impact to local government.
- It is assumed that any referendum will occur during a regularly scheduled election; any impact to local government is estimated to be not significant.

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CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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